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OUTLINES.

Fire in Baltimore caused a loss of 300,000, fully insured. —— British troops are endeavoring to surround and capture the Boer force under DeWet, but so far he has eluded them ——Boers captured 17,000 sheep from the British near Kongersdorf. —— Queen Wilhemina, of Holland, gave audience to Mr. Kruger. —— The negro who assaulted and murdered Mrs. White near Rome, Ga., was caught and lynched. —— Typhoid fever has broken out among the prisoners in Sing Sing. —— Heavy rains have caused an inundation of part of the city of Brussels. —— The Army bill considered in the Senate, no business in the House. ——White caps wrecked a residence near Cluttsville, Ala. —— The Baptist Convention in session at Raleigh, adjourned yesterday. —— U. S. battleship Kentucky is ordered to proceed from Smyrna to Manila —— Twenty persons injured in a railway accident near Philadelphia. —— Head end collision of freight trains on the A. C. L. near Richmond, Va. —— A street car demolished by a railroad train at Pittsburg, Pa. —— The river and harbor bill will be ready for submission to Congress before the holiday recess. —— The Northern branch of the Presbyterian church recommends that some revision or change be made in the confession of Faith. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 4½ per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 10¼c.; flour weak and somewhat lower; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red 78c; corn—spot weak, No. 2 46¾c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine dull.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 8.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 39 degrees; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 45 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .9; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.64.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M., 8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—For North Carolina: Fair Sunday and Monday; fresh northerly winds.

Port Almanac---December 9.

Sun Rises	6.58 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.46 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 48 M.
High Water at Southport.	9 52 A. M.
High Water Wilmington.	12 22 A. M.

There are a score of more men in this country who tote insurance ranging from from $500,000 to $1,000,000 or more. John Wanamaker leads with $2,250,000.

A New York woman who had a dermatologiet to operate on her nose knows more now than she did at the beginning, and is suing him for $10,000 for the experience acquired.

A Chicago reporter interviewed a lot of millionaires in that city to learn how they enjoyed their wealth, but found them so busy making more that they didn't have time to enjoy it.

The British people are not kicking against the American Meat Trust, which is kind enough to sell them at average wholesale price of 5 cents a pound while it charges Americans 9 cents a pound.

Gen. Sickles says there is really a better field for reformers in Wall street, New York, than in the Tenderloin district. A few days before that a Wall street broker got hold of the General and fleeced him out of a pile of money.

A bankers' magazine says there is an increasing demand in this country for half-cent coins. This doesn't gee well with the alleged prosperity, for it indicates that the number of people in the country who find it necessary to split a penny is on the increase.

Gen. Grosvenor in advocating a large standing army said, "if there had been a standing army of 50,000 men at the battle of Bull run the war between the States would have ended in thirty days." He seems to think the standing army would not have been a running army.

The Secretary of the Interior says he will want $142,000,000 for pensions this year, $4,000,000 more than last year. Next year there will be more needed, and the Philippines will add millions more. In a few years it will reach $150,000,000. But after all, is "a billion dollar country?"

Death at Southport,

Mrs. Hester A. Forlaw died Friday afternoon at her house in Southport at an advanced age. She is survived by a large number of relatives. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon from the Methodist Church, with interment in the cemetery at Southport.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Dr. Geo. C. Worth will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

— Andrew Spicer, colored, of Middle Sound, was tried for disorderly conduct at the Mayor's Court yesterday and fined $5.

— A special term of Columbus County Superior Court will be convened to morrow morning. There are no very important cases for trial.

— The steamer *A. P. Hurt*, since the recent repairs, successfully passed the government inspection yesterday and cleared last night for Fayetteville.

— Mr. A. S. Winstead. is having extensive repairs made to his whole sale and retail fruit and confectionary store on Second between Princess and Chesnut streets.

— In the absence of the pastors, Rev. L. B. Boney will preach at Southside Baptist church to-day and Rev. J. W. Creasy at Market street M. E. church.

— The case of A. J. Marshall, Esq., which was set to be tried at the term of Federal court now in session at Raleigh, was continued for defendant by Judge Purnell on Friday.

— The funeral of Joseph Wright, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wright, was conducted at 11 o'clock yesterday morning from the residence, with interment at Bellevue.

— A number of members of the Wilmington Lodge of Odd Fellows will meet at her Cape Fear Lodge room at 3 o'clock this afternoon to go to the City Hospital to visit their sick brother, Mr. I. W. Cooper.

— The auxiliary cruiser *Hornet*, got adrift from her moorings at Murchison's wharf yesterday morning and the crew on board had a rough experience in getting her back again. She drifted up the river some distance.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Warren—Fruit cake.
M. H. Curran—Underwear.
VonGlahn & Gibson—A neat tie.
Mercer & Evans Co.—Shield hats.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Christmas goods.
Fishblate Clothing Co.—Overcoats.
J.H. Rehder & Co.—Xmas presents.
Marsden Bellamy, Jr.—Trustee's sale

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Help.
Wanted—Male help.
Wanted—Lettuce plants.
Young Lady—Wants husband.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Willie Watters was out yesterday, after a spell of fever.

— Mr. Dawson Latham arrived last night from Rocky Mount.

— Mr. T. P. Bagley is at home from Davidson College for a few days rest.

— Mr. Jno. McDowell, of Elizabethtown, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., was able to be out yesterday, much to the delight of his many friends.

— Mr. E. R. Fishblate, of New York, who has been here visiting his brother, Mr. S. H. Fishblate, left yesterday.

— C. D. Weeks, Esq., returned yesterday morning from Kenansville, where he has been attending Duplin Superior Court.

— Rev. S. H. Isler, of Goldsboro, was here yesterday on his way to points on the W. & N. railroad to fill his regular appointments.

— Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., and Rev. J. J. Payseur returned last night from Raleigh where they attended the Baptist State Convention.

— Col. W. S. Cook, of Fayetteville, was in the city yesterday on business connected with the Cape Fear Steamboat Company, of which he is president.

— Mr. and Mrs. E. S. James, of Northbrook, Pa., who have been the guests of Capt. and Mrs. O. S. Willey, at The Orton for several weeks, left last night, returning home.

Trustee's Sale.

Marsden Bellamy, Sr. Esq.. trustee, yesterday morning opened the doors of the store recently occupied by Mr. H. L. Fennell and began the sale of the stock of harness, saddlery, etc., therein, according to the recent order of the referee in the bankruptcy proceedings of Mr. Fennell. The store was crowded during the day and nearly one-fifth of the stock was sold. Mr. Bellamy took an inventory of the goods in the store and found the value approximately $5,400. He has so reported to Mr. Samuel H. MacRae, referee in bankruptcy for this district.

County Commissioners in Session.

The Board of County Commissioners was in session for a short while yesterday morning examining the bonds of the newly elected officers, who were sworn in last Monday. Most of them were approved and ordered on file, and consideration of the others was deferred until a future meeting, when the board will have time to complete the examination.

The Cotton Market.

Cotton was very dull on the Wilmington market yesterday. Sellers refused to take less than 9¼ cents for middling and buyers were as stout in their refusal not to pay this figure. The market closed dull at 9¼ cents, with receipts of 719 bales.

CONFERENCE REPORT.

The Methodists at Newbern Are Hastening the Work of the Annual Session.

MANY REPORTS RECEIVED.

Resolutions Against Sunday Trains, Papers, Etc.—Rev. T. N. Ivey Re-elected Editor of the Christian Advocate—Other News.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

NEWBERN, N. C., Dec. 8.—The Conference proceedings were of considerable interest to day to those present. Rev. J. A. Road, formerly pastor of Wilson Baptist church, was admitted into full connection with the North Carolina Conference. Rev. Geo. B. Webster, another Baptist preacher, applied for admission, but under the intimation of the Bishop that he would give him work as supply, his admission went over to next year.

The Committee on Books and Periodicals reported upon the various publications of the church. Among its recommendations was one that the presiding elders be requested to raise a fund to purchase for the church claimants eighteen hundred dollars worth of additional stock, to be issued by the Raleigh *Advocate*, which will bring the capital stock of that paper up to ten thousand dollars. The recommendation did not prevail. J. G. Brown was elected proxy to represent the Conference's stock in the *Advocate*, and Dr. T. N. Ivey was re-elected editor for two years.

Resolutions offered by Rev. M. C. Thomas, urging that parents have their children baptized, and have family worship in their houses, were passed.

Rev. W. J. Crowson was located at his own rquest. The class for full admission, Revs. W. F. Jones, J. A. Road, G. B. Starling, W. A. Piland and J. Y. Old, were charged by the Bishop not to lose their individuality and become mere imitation preachers. On the doctrine of perfection, he pointed out that it is perfection of love the discipline deals with, "Not perfect, but perfect in love;" "I am sorry our people ever tried to count their blessings, but the church has found out at last that it can't bring Christian experience down to the low plane of mechanics, where it can be expressed in numbers or pounds and ounces. A man's experience is between himself and his God alone. Get all the blessings you can, and then live after the example of Christ on earth."

The Board of Church Extension reported receipts for the past year $3,074.33; assessed for next year, $4,800.

J. G. Brown, for the Orphanage trustees, reported receipts of $16,233.36 exclusive of the Twentieth Century fund, which will not be less than $2,000.

Rev. J. W. Jenkins, agent, was elected superintendent of the Orphanage. He reported that a two story brick college had been erected and full preparation made for the reception of thirty-two orphans. A second college, to cost $5,000, has been planned. The Bishop addressed the Conference on the subject, among other things saying, "In ministering to children you minister to citizens of heaven."

The action of the last Conference, instructing the trustees to ask the Legislature to strike out from the charter a provision for a home for needy preachers and preachers' widows, was rescinded.

Dr. Swindell reported for the Committee on Sabbath Observance. This report, which commends the Sunday League, represented by Dr. E. Thompson, of Atlanta, and strongly condemns Sunday trains, papers, and other inroads upon the sanctity of the Sabbath, excited the most earnest and interesting discussion of the session and was left open until Monday, to give Bishop Morrison an opportunity to be heard further upon the subject. The Bishop, Drs. Swindell and Kilgo, Revs. D. H. Tuttle, N. M. Jurney and Jesse H. Page, all spoke earnestly in support of the resolutions.

The Missionary anniversary is being held to-night, addressed by Dr. T. H. Pritchett.

Appointments were made for services Sunday in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches.

Centenary church was filled to overflowing last night and the congregation listened with intense interest to one of the grandest addresses from Dr. J. C. Kilgo that probably ever fell from his lips. The occasion was the Twentieth century educational movement of Methodism and the speakers theme was "The Constituents of True Education, and the motive and Place of the Methodist Church in Education."

The types placed Trinity College's enrollment for the year at 200 in Wednesday's issue of the STAR. It should have been 258. Trinity's share of the Twentieth Century Fund raised by the North Carolina Methodists amounts to nearly three hundred thousand dollars.

The Police Census.

Work is progressing very satisfactorily on the taking of the police census of the city, reference to which was made in these columns several days ago. People generally are disposed to furnish the enumerators with all legitimate information desired and it appears certain now that the figures of population will much exceed those recently announced by the government bureau. The work north of Market street will be completed by Tuesday and all the figures tabulated.

BAPTIST CONVENTION CLOSED ITS SESSION.

Will Meet Next Year in Winston—The Closing Proceedings—The Thomasville Orphanage.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 8.—The seventieth annual session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention came to a close to night shortly after 10 o'clock. Pulpits of the city will to morrow be occupied by prominent Baptist ministers who have been attending the convention, but the business deliberations of that body are at an end. Quite a number of delegates left for their homes to day and others will go to morrow and Monday.

Next year the convention will meet in Winston and the introductory sermon will be preached by Rev. W. C. Tyree, of Durham, with Rev. J. W. Lynch, of Wake Forest, as alternate. This was decided by the convention this morning. The committee appointed to select a place of meeting recommended Wilmington, but a majority of the convention preferred Winston, and the report was so amended.

The question of periodicals was then taken up and a lively, not to say sensational, debate followed, the discussion lasting for more than three hours. The question before the convention was a special report recommending the ownership and operation of the *Recorder* by the convention. Though Editor J. W. Bailey announced that if this report was defeated he would retire as editor, the convention declined to adopt it. Instead, a substitute was adopted, recommending the formation of a joint stock company to own and operate the *Recorder*. To this end a committee of five was appointed to take the matter in hand and try to raise such company. This committee, appointed by the president of the convention, is composed of Rev. Livingston Johnston, Prof. W. L. Poteat, Rev. J. E. White, Prof. J. B. Carlvie and Mr. W. N. Jones. They held a meeting to-night and reported to the convention that they thought they saw their way clear to form a company for the purchase of the *Recorder*, but that the *North Carolina Baptist* had not yet been considered in their plans. To buy the *Recorder*, they said, it was necessary to raise $6,000, and the plan under which they were operating was satisfactory to both J. W. Bailey, editor, and Edwards & Broughton, owners of the paper.

The main feature of the afternoon session was the reading by Rev. J. D. Huffham of the history of the North Carolina Baptist Convention, from the first beginning of the Church in 1790 to the first meeting of representatives from the counties in 1832, at Rives' Chapel, Chatham county. It was the first time such a history had been written, and it represented thirty years of work in collecting dates and records. The convention listened to the reading with fixed attention.

Mr. T. M. Pittman and Dr. E. Skinner were appointed a committee to raise a fund to be devoted to historical investigation, with the end in view of employing Dr. Huffham as special historian upon a regular salary to conduct the work.

To-night's meeting of the convention was devoted entirely to the Orphanage. A number of addresses were made and $2,200 was subscribed for a system of water works to be put in next Spring.

After the regular work of the convention had been completed, a silver service was presented to Rev. John E. White, the retiring corresponding secretary of the Mission Board. The presentation speech was made by Mr. J. W. Bailey.

COMING THEATRE EVENTS.

Only One Offering This Week, But Series of Good Plays the Next—Teddy McGovern Coming.

There will be but one offering at the Opera House this week and that will be on next Saturday evening, when Hennesy LeRoyle will appear in the extremely funny comedy "Other People's Money."

The company, it is said, contains some clever and well known people, among whom are that popular actress Miss May Sargent, who bears a strong resemblance to Maud Adams, and has received flattering notices for her rendition of the scheming coquette, Telka Van Sittart, who never fails to capture the audience, as well as Hutchinson Hopper. Roland Hill, who set the pace in Boston and New York, is a dashing young comedian and will appear in the light comedy role. Miss Janet Walters, Harold Linson and Dollie Bardell, of Harrigan fame, are also in the cast.

The coming week will be one of unusual interest. Beginninging Monday, Dec. 17th., "Black Patti's Troubadors" will be the attraction.

This company is composed entirely of negro talent. It appeared here two years since and left a very favorable impression. Following these, on the 19th., comes Broadhurst Bros., great comedy, "What Happened to Jones." which is said to be the funniest play ever written. The next day, the 20th., threatre goers will have "A Runaway Girl," with its 60 people and wealth of scenery, effects, etc. This company is remembered as being one of the gems of last season.

The closing attraction of that week comes Friday night, the 21st.—Teddy McGovern, the feather weight and middle weight champion of the world, in a scenic production of the "Bowery After Dark," in which Mr. McGovern and his sparring partner will give a most interesting contest.

YORK CASE AT RALEIGH.

Defendant Found Guilty, But Motion of Attorneys to Arrest Judgment Will Be Heard To-morrow.

[*Raleigh Post, 7th.*]

J. L. York, a well known citizen of Fayetteville, was convicted yesterday in the U. S. District Court of using the mails for fraudulent purposes.

The case occupied the greater part of the day court. Judge Purnell did not impose a sentence The maximum penalty is imprisonment for eighteen months and a fine of $500. Attorneys for the defendant moved for an arrest of judgment.

The case was taken up yesterday morning at 10.30 and the jury had returned a verdict of guilty, after being out twenty minutes.

Postoffice Inspector Jere Conelly, who worked up the case, was the principal witness. He testified that he went to Fayetteville to investigate the National Manufacturing Company and he found that there was no such concern there. He testified that J. L. York was using that fictitious name for the purpose of securing oils, machinery, lumber, roofing, household furniture and other supplies; that he secured these from many Northern firms, and that he made shipments to different parts of the country; that he used a very elaborate and fancily engraved letter head, which stated that the National Manufacturing Company was doing a manufacturing and importing business, and making a specialty of paints, etc. Mr. Conelly stated that the letter head was so pretentious that reputable business firms lost sight of their usual rules and made the shipments asked. He said York had no means and that he made no attempt to organize the company. He said he rented a box in the postoffice through which he received the mail of the National Manufacturing Company, and that he had no place of business.

The prisoner, who is a neat and well dressed young man of good appearance, looked well considering his confinement in jail.

He was almost faultless in his attire, his pants being carefully creased. He was the most stylish prisoner that has ever occupied the defendant's chair in this court. York is not affected by the verdict. When the foreman of the jury answered "guilty," the prisoner nodded his head as if he had anticipated it.

District Attorney Bernard conducted the prosecution, assisted by District Attorney Spears, while Mr. W. J. Bellamy, of Wilmington, and Busbee and Busbee of this city, appeared for the defendant. A plea of not guilty was entered by the prisoner, though he did not offer any witnesses in his behalf.

Among the witnesses against York were C. C. Fishburn, of Atlanta, representing the Atlanta Cotton Oil Company; R. M. Shanklin, of Philadelphia, representing the Crew-Levick Oil Company; J. H. W. Stevens, of Kershaw, dealer in lumber; John S. Brown, representing a Philadelphia machinery company. R. McMillan, of Fayetteville, testified that he bought roofing from York. G. M. Stancil and N. E. Bunting, of Fayetteville, testified also that they made purchases from him.

R. A. Southerland, of the agent A C L at Fayetteville, testified as to goods consigned to the National Manufacturing Company.

J. M. Goddard, a hotel man at Fayetteville, testified that York was unable to pay his board, and that he took his personal effects.

On cross-examinatiyn of witnesses it was developed that York had made some payments to firms from which he made purchases. On this point the defence laid great stress, contending that it eliminated the charge of fraud.

INSTALLED STATIC MACHINE.

Dr. D. W. Bullock Has Wonderful Appliance Introducing the Famous Roetgeger Ray to the Profession.

Dr. D. W. Bulluck has recently installed in his office in the Masonic Temple an improved static or X Ray machine of powerful voltage, which he will use in his practice. It is made by Van Houten & Ten Broeck, of New York and is indeed a wonderful invention having been practically introduced within the last four years and which through its adaption of the Roetengen rays bids fair to revolutionize surgery and the practice of medicine.

A STAR representative was kindly given an exhibition of the work of the machine last evening in Dr. Bulluck's office and could but marvel at the wonderful application of science in this invention. The bones, of the body, arms or any other part of the human structure may be plainly seen "through and through," so to speak, and the adaption of the mysterious current to the cure of functional and many nervous diseases was explained by the doctor in terms which recommended it highly to the public.

Dr. Bulluck has already found the machine of very material aid to him in his practice and has several cases in which the indispensability of the same is patent. A gentleman, who was injured some time ago in a railroad accident and who has been unable to lift one of his hands to his head for some time complained that his arm had been broken and had not probably been reset properly. Dr. Bulluck applied the static machine and it was plainly evident that the trouble was a dislocation of the shoulder. Then there are many other cases, which he has had already, which an insight into the "inner man" readily solved perhaps very difficult surgical problems.

Dr. Blackwell at Shaw.

Raleigh *Post*, 8th: "One of the finest addresses ever given in this city was delivered in the chapel of Shaw University yesterday morning by Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., of Wilmington. His subject was "Character Building," and it was handled in a masterly fashion. There was quite a delegation present from the Baptist State Convention. The enrollment at Shaw has reached 418 and nearly all the students were present. Dr. Blackwell remarked as he came out of the chapel that he had never addressed a more appreciative and responsive audience."

THE FIRE YESTERDAY

Paint Shops of Atlantic Coast Line Burned Early in the Morning.

DAMAGE EXCEEDS $25,000.

Flames Originated Most Probably from Spontaneous Combustion—The Fire Wrought Terrible Havoc—No Insurance on Property.

The paint shops of the Atlantic Coast Line, on its yards in this city, with three coaches and a material shed were totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning about 4 o'clock, entailing a loss of, perhaps, $25,000 or $30,000, upon which there was no insurance.

The fire originated in the mixing room of the main building where was stored a large amount of oils, paints and other inflammable material. The origin is probably traceable to spontaneous combustion as no other reason can be assigned for fire in that portion of the building especially at the time of the conflagration.

The paint shop, proper, was a long brick building about 70x120 feet in size and was one and a half stories high. On the southwest corner there was an ell in which was situated an engine for the paint shop machinery, but this was fortunately only slightly damaged. In the main building there were stored large quantities of paints, oils, varnishes, etc., and three coaches which were being repaired.

There was also adjacent to the building an improvised shed, about 140x60 feet, in which was the freight repair office of Capt. J. N. Hampton, foreman of freight repairs, and in which was stored a large amount of ash and poplar lumber used in car building. Under this shed there was also a cut-off saw operated by a fourteen horse power engine, a burnishing machine and chests of tools, car brasses, fittings, etc. The shed burned down and most of the property under the same was badly damaged. Mr. William Flanagan, Chief of the Car Record Department, and other gentlemen acquainted with the situation, got to the shed in time to save some of the effects in Capt. Hampton's office.

While the extent of the damage has not yet been determined by officials of the road it is in the neighborhood of the estimate given above. Ends of several valuable coaches and sides of adjacent buildings were damaged to great extent, making it impossible yet to calculate the loss. The burning of the paint shop is especially unfortunate at this time as the A. C. L. force in the shops here is overrun with work in furnishing handsome new coaches for most of its lines.

Mr. Geo. R. Casey is foreman of the shops burned and he has under his supervision about fifty men, who will temporarily be thrown out of regular employment. This will, however, be remedied in a very short time, as it is learned the company already has plans on foot for rebuilding at the earliest possible moment.

The fire was first discovered by Messrs. George Reed and Jesse MacCumber, night watchmen at the yards. The flames were very slight at first but spread quickly, so that when the department reached the scene in response to an alarm from box 24, situated under the passenger shed at the station, the building was about to collapse, or "fall in," as it is called. As soon as the fire was discovered Mr. MacCumber brought a hose to play upon the fire while Mr. Reed sent in the alarm.

Upon arriving upon the scene a few minutes after the alarm, Chief Schnibben discovered the nature of the fire and sent in five taps for the extra hose wagon. The firemen fought manfully against the great odds and succeeded in confining the fire to the building in which it originated and the wooden shed in close proximity.

Yard enginemen were soon on the scene also and had their shifting engines fired up, with which they pulled many cars on the various switches to a safe distance.

The fire is the most disastrous that has occurred in Wilmington in many years. It was ten o'clock yesterday morning before the firemen took the streams from their hose off the ruins.

OBSEQUIES OF MRS. McKELVIE.

Her Remains Laid to Rest Yesterday Afternoon in Oakdale Cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. T. Arlington McKelvie, whose sad and untimely death occurred Friday evening, was held yesterday afternoon at three o'clock from the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. Walter R. Kingsbury, No. 121 South Sixth street. The service was conducted by Rev. P. C. Morton, assisted by Rev. A. D. McClure.

There was a large attendance of relatives and friends who showed their deepest sympathy for the husband and other members of the bereaved family. The floral offerings were magnificent and bore testimony of the high esteem in which the deceased was held by her friends. The grave in Oakdale Cemetery was a mound of beautiful flowers.

The following gentlemen were pall bearers: James H. Taylor, Jr., W. W. Turner, R. W. Haywood, W. M. Struthers, Jr., W. W. Jones and Dr. C. T. Hawes.

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RED SPRINGS VICTORIOUS.

Laurinburg Foot Ball Team Defeated by Boys from N. C. M. Academy.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RED SPRINGS, N. C., December 8.—The North Carolina Military Academy's foot ball team added another victory to its long list, by defeating the strong team from Laurinburg. The Laurinburg team averaged twenty-five pounds to the man heavier than the soldiers, but this did not keep the cadets from scoring 38 to their opponents 0. Brilliant plays by Grimms and McKenzie for Laurinburg, and Culbreth, McGwigen and Tucker, L., for N., C. M. A. were features of the game. Barstow and Tucker, R., covered themselves with glory in their usual style. Mr. C. G. Vardell, of Princeton, was referee.

Notes of The Shipping.

The Russian barque *Hannes*, Capt. Arvidsson, cleared yesterday for London with a cargo of 4,293 barrels rosin and 1000 barrels tar, consigned by Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. The vessel was by Heide & Co.

The Norwegian steamship *Kingswood*, 1,209 tons, Capt. Hansen, arrived in port yesterday from Port Royal, S. C., and is consigned to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. She came light and will load with cotton at the Champion Compress. The *Kingswood* brought fertilizer material for the Virginia Carolina Chemical Company to Port Royal and proceeded here after discharging.

An Untrustworthy Porter.

M. Marshall, a negro who has been employed for some time as porter at the grocery store of Mr. John H. Kuck, on Water street, was arrested this morning about 2 o'clock by Sergeant N. J. Williams at the negro's home on Sixth between Campbell and Red Cross streets. Just before closing last night Mr. Kuck discovered a sack of rice which had been put outside of the door and upon closing up, he found that the negro porter was "in for" stealing it He telephoned for an officer but the negro escaped at the time until his subsequent arrest this morning.

Colored Lodge Bought Land.

A deed was filed for record yesterday transfering from Jno. D. Southerland and wife to Rowlan V. Freeman, Grand Master of "Lodge No. 1, United Sons and Daughters" a tract of land on Myrtle Grove Sound containing about 114 acres of mainland and 75 acres of sound and beach land. The consideration is $300.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Don't Be A Fool.

Go to R. R. Bellamy's and get a bottle of Goose Grease Liniment. It cures croup and coughs like magic, and all pains.
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BANKRUPT SALE.

The sale of the Bankrupt stock of H. L. Fennell, consisting of Trunks, Valises, Harness, Horse Collars and Blankets, Buggy and Carriage Robes, &c., &c.,

WILL BE RESUMED AT 9 O'CLOCK TO-MORROW,

(Monday) morning, and continued from day to day until disposed of.

Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Trustee.
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Very fine quality N. C.

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MOON'S PHASES.

Full Moon	6	5:38 a.m.	New Moon	21	7:01 p.m.
Third Quarter	13	5:42 p.m.	First Quarter	28	8:48 p.m.

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BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 9.

MR CRUMPACKER'S SCHEME

Mr. Crumpacker, of Indiana, who made a pass at the South during the first session of the present Congress, didn't lose any time in reviving hostilities, for on the first day of the session he had ready and introduced his bill for the apportionment for Congressional districts on the population as returned by the census of 1900. His bill might be appropriately termed "a bill to increase the representation of the Northern States and decrease the representation of the Southern States." The Philadelphia *Press*, Republican, thus states his scheme:

The unit of population taken by Mr. Crumpacker is 198,000, an increase of about 24 000 over the unit used in the appointment under the census of 1890. The latter gave a House of Representatives of 356 members, the subsequent admission of Utah as a State with one member bringing the number to 357 A division on the basis of 198,000 population to a member would give a House of Representatives of 365 members, an increase of eight over the present number. This is not so large an addition as it has been generally supposed would be made, and if Mr. Crumpacker's idea about the enforcement of the Fourteenth Amendment is not adopted the addition on the basis of 198 000 population to a member will be much larger. The total number of members would then run up to nearly 380.

"It is curious to see how this bill would, if adopted, affect the representation of the North and the South. Fourteen States in the North would be affected as follows:

	Inc.	Dec.
Colorado	1	..
California	1	..
Connecticut	1	..
Illinois	2	..
Kansas	..	1
Massachusetts	1	..
Minnesota	2	..
Nebraska	..	1
New Jersey	2	..
New York	3	..
North Dakota	1	..
Pennsylvania	2	..
Washington	1	..
West Virginia	1	..
Total	18	2
Net gain		16

"The result is these States would be a gain of eighteen members of the House of Representatives and a loss of two, or a net gain of sixteen seats to the Northern States. The bill would affect nine Southern States as follows:

	Inc.	Dec.
Arkansas	1	..
Florida	1	..
Missouri	1	..
Texas	2	..
Louisiana	..	2
Mississippi	..	3
North Carolina	..	4
South Carolina	..	3
Virginia	..	1
Total	5	13
Net loss		8

"Here is a gain of five and a loss of thirteen, or a net loss to the South of eight. Virginia's delegation is reduced only one, and while that State has not as yet placed in its Constitution suffrage restrictions inconsistent with the United States Constitution the State constitutional convention soon to meet will undoubtedly do so. Georgia and Alabama are also moving in the same direction, and would come under Mr. Crumpacker's reduction if adopted. Kentucky and Maryland are discussing the same proposition. The Northern States under the present apportionment have 305 members of the House of Representatives and the Southern States 142. Under the terms of Mr. Crumpacker's bill the North would have 321 members and the South 134

"The Northern States have grown in population faster than the Southern States during the past ten years, and their representation will be increased, whether the Crumpacker bill passes or not. The fate of that measure will depend upon the opinion of Congress as to whether it is expedient to follow the plain requirement of the Constitution, or whether it is better to let the matter rest a few years longer and see if the situation will not cure itself."

Mr. Crumpacker selected the number of 198,000 as a basis of representation doubtless because that best suited his purpose and would take members from the South while adding to the number from the North, giving the North a net increase of 16 and the South a net decrease of 8, which practically means a net increase of 24 for the North. If he had made the basis 220,000, say, he might yank some more out of the South, but that would also get a good many of the Northern Districts, and that isn't what Mr. Crumpacker was after. He wanted to do two things, first, to increase the Representative strength in the North and next to punish the Southern States which have qualified suffrage laws which disfranchise some negroes. He not only proposes to punish the States which do disfranchise negroes, but would punish others in advance which he takes it for granted intend to adopt restricted suffrage.

The paper we quote from is a Republican organ, which believes that Mr. Crumpacker is proceeding in according with the constitution in providing for reduced representation in those Southern States which have adopted qualified suffrage, when as a matter of fact that neither it nor Mr. Crumpacker care a snap for the constitution in this respect. The restricted suffrage as it has been down in Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina and South Carolina, which was the pioneer State in ballot box reform, is no more a violation than the conferring of the franchise upon the emancipated slaves was. There was nothing constitutional in that, either in its conception or in the manner of establishing it under military rule.

If some equable way could be found of reducing the representation all round instead of increasing it it would doubtless be a good thing and keep a good many men of very ordinary calibre out of the House, but that isn't an easy thing to do, for the populous Republican States would protest against that because it would lessen their power in Congress and in shaping the legislation in which they may be interested. As this could not be done even if desired the probabilities are that there will be a considerable increase, more than Mr. Crumpacker's scheme provides for. That scheme will not go through because its purpose is too apparent and they can add to the representation from the North without thus showing their hands, and lessening the hopes of adding to the Republican strength in the South, a matter to which Mr. McKinley and other Republican leaders have given some thought and attention. They construe the lighter vote cast in the South at the last election as an evidence of Democratic indifference and a harbinger of the growing favor of the Republican party and they do not, looking at it from this standpoint, think it good policy to do anything that might look unfriendly to the South and which would have a tendency to arouse the Southern people to resentment, and therefore Mr. Crumpacker will not get much encouragement from the administration. Mr. McKinley has assured Southern Senators and Representatives that he will set his face against such schemes as that, and his views in such matters will doubtless have full weight. Neither Mr. McKinley nor the other Republican leaders are thinking as much about the disfranchised Southern negroes as they are about the possible acquisition of white voters by the Republican party, which would willingly swap half a dozen darkeys for one white man.

GIVING IT AWAY.

We have heretofore commented upon the so-called sales of State swamp lands and the nominal prices at which they are sold. The following, which we clip from the Raleigh *News and Observer* of Friday, reports the latest deal:

"On yesterday the State sold 224 561 acres of swamp land. The price paid was $26,500.

"The land is what is known as the White Oak Swamp, in Onslow county, and the deed calls for all the land owned by the State Boards of Education in Jones and Onslow counties.

"The land was purchased by Mr. S W. Isler, of Goldsboro, and others, trustees of an Eastern syndicate.

"The terms are $1,500 cash and $25,000 on time payments. Of the $1,500 cash payment, Capt. K. S. Finch, of Charlotte, is to be paid $175 for an option he holds on the land, and Mr. Frank Thompson is to receive $325 for his services as attorney to the board in the suits against the same by the Vedder heias. Thus the State receives $1,000 of the cash payment.

"The land in question was granted by the State in 1794 to David Allison. In 1799 the estate was sold for taxes, and deeded to the Governor of the State. In 1840 the heirs of David Allison conveyed the land to Madison Vedder, and in 1898 this title to the land came into possession of Charles Vedder, who instituted suits against the State Board.

"The suits were never tried and Mr. Vedder and his wife join in the deed made yesterday to Isler, trustee. The State and Mr. Vedder have made frequent efforts to dispose of the land, but on account of the claim on both titles, this could not be done. It is said the price paid is an adequate one."

Perhaps the legal entanglements in this care prevented the disposition of the property at a better price, but as a matter of fact our swamp lands have been practically given away. In this transaction there was a cash payment of $1,500 out of which the State gets $1,000, time being given on the other payments, time enough, no doubt, for the purchasers to cut timber enough to pay up. If about eleven cents an acre is an "adequate price" the timber on this tract must have been very poor. It ought to be worth more than that as a bullfrog ranch.

Edward Cooper, a bootblack in San Francisco, will soon have a $250,000 wife. A year ago she was as poor as he is, but they were lovers and promised to be true to each other till they would have enough money to form a partnership and go into business for themselves. The girl has recently inherited $250,000 and they will soon "join hands." He is still in the shine business, but will soon shine in another circle.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and the suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousand of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on R. R. BELLAMY, Druggist, and get a 10c. trial bottle. Regular size 50c. and $1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. †

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THE MAN WHO FORESAW.

When the news of Dewey's victory in Manila Bay reached Washington, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is quoted as saying that no military success of the century would prove as beneficial to American farmers as that. Some of the Republican papers are now quoting from his last report to show what a true prophet he was. The following figures, with remarks by a Republican organ, are given as an illustration:

"In 1896 our total exports to Asia and Oceanica were only $43,000,000, of which only $9,700,000 were agricultural products. In 1900 our exports to the same countries are $107,000,000, of which $30,000,000 are farm products Our total exports to the Philippines have grown from less than $200,000 to more than $2,600,000. Our agricultural exports to those islands have increased from less than $23,000 to $1,700,000

"Our greatest farm export staples are wheat and cotton. In 1896 we sent to the Orient 1,211,000 barrels of wheat flour, valued at $3,600,000 In 1900 we sent 2,378,000 barrels, worth over $7,000,000. In 1896 we shipped across the Pacific only 38,000 bales of cotton, valued at $1,500,000 In 1890 we sent 325,000 bales, worth over $13,000,000 In 1896 our cotton mills sold to the Orient only $5,500,000 worth of their product. In 1900 they sold over $12 000,000 worth. These figures show why Southern planters were so lukewarm toward Mr. Bryan's scuttle policy, and why Nebraska and Western farmers voted to retain the Philippines

"When the time came to make peace with Spain, Secretary Wilson was the member of the Cabinet who never wavered from the policy of reaping the full fruits of our victory. He saw that justice to the people long oppressed by Spain and our own trade interests alike demanded that this course be taken. The growth of our trade with the recent Spanish possessions and with Hawaii, whose immediate acquisition resulted from Dewey's victory has proved the soundness of James Wilson's views.

Mr. Wilson must have been remarkably gifted as a prophet when he foresaw that we would hold those islands when nobody else in this country, in Washington or anywhere else, had the remotest idea of that. It is even said that if Dewey had had any place to go to he would have been ordered out of Manila bay after he sank those ships.

But aside from that, what evidence is there to show that our position in the Philippines has had anything to do with the increased exports to the East as compared with four years ago. Much of this stuff was sent to Japan, much of it to China, and it would have been sent there if our American warships had never gone into Manila bay. The increase of exports to the Philippines is easily accounted for, because we have had an army of 65,000 men to feed there. This exhibit simply shows that there has been an increase of exports since the event of Manila bay, without giving any proof that the increase has been caused by that event.

USING HIS WEALTH WISELY.

There is no man in this country who is making a wiser use of his wealth than Andrew Carnegie, who is practical in everything. He has given probably $15,000,000 for the establishment of public libraries and schools, holding that this is one of the best ways to help his fellow-men, by enabling them to educate and prepare themselves for the battle of life, his axiom being to help those who show a disposition to help themselves. Believing in industrial training he has recently offered to give $1,000,000 for the establishment and maintenance of a textile school if a like sum be raised by others.

What a splendid thing it would be if the wealthy men of the South would accept this offer, come up with the other million, and thus secure the establishment of such an institution in some of our Southern cities. Such an institution would be worth many times $2,000,000 to the South, for it would give us in a few years an army of skilled operatives and give an impetus to branching out in the higher and more profitable grades of cotton manufactures, thus adding immensely to the value and profit in the cotton manufactured, giving employment to thousands more people, making the South independent as far as skilled labor is concerned, and benefitting it in various other ways. As the cotton manufacturing industry grows the textile school is becoming more and more a necessity, a fact which is becoming pretty generally recognized.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Sumatra tobacco can now be grown in the Connecticut Valley, according to the report of the Secretary of Agriculture. This removes the reason for an excessively high duty which was imposed on the ground that the Sumatra leaf could not be raised there. The Connecticut Valley farmers need no protection on Sumatra leaf than on Havana seed leaf as they can raise both.—*New York Journal of Commerce, Ind.*

—— The statement that some other nations have got ahead of the United States in their merchant marine by giving subsidies is false. Statistics, which are before the political and business jobbers who make it, show that Great Britain has secured over half of the world's carrying trade without subsidy, what she pays for carrying the mails not being included in that sort of aid; and that France, which is far behind the United States on the sea, has gone backward during the past few years in spite of he subsidization policy. The demand has regulated the supply in both cases.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

The man tangled in the tape from the ticker is the type of the average business man. His business cares wrap him about like the coils of a constrictor and slowly crush out his life. The common sign of the business man's slavery is "weak stomach," the natural consequence of the rapid eating, the indigestible pastry, the coffee and pie or doughnuts, with which many a man stuffs his stomach under the name of "quick lunch." The quickest way back to a strong stomach and sound health is to use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery until perfectly cured. It goes to the root of disease. It removes the cause of ill-health. It makes more blood and better blood, and this blood nourishes every organ in the body to the highest point of vigorous health.

"During the summer and fall of 1896," writes Chas. H. Sergeant, Esq., of Plain City, Madison Co., Ohio. "I became all 'run down,' nerves were out of order. I wrote to Dr. Pierce for advice. He said I had general debility, and advised Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and, thanks to you for your advice, I used six bottles; and since I stopped taking it about one year ago, I have not taken any medicine of any kind, and *have been able to work every day.* My appetite is good, I can eat three square meals a day, and I do not feel that miserable burning in the stomach after eating. My blood and nerves are in good shape, and, I am in good running order."

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IF I HAD GIFTS TO BRING.

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If I were King of Fairyland
  And had the right to say
How blessings should be passed around
  Down here, from day to day—
If I might give to each and all
  Whatever gifts I choose—
What should I give, my little boy,
  To you, do you suppose?

Not heaps of gold nor mighty ships
  To sail the ocean blue,
Not wealth to make of other boys
  The hired slaves of you—
But ruddy cheeks and sparkling eyes,
  A laugh that had the ring
Of honest pleasure in it, and
  A heart for anything.

If I were King of Fairyland,
  With none to say me nay,
O little girl, what think you I
  Should bring to you to-day?
Nay, I should bring across the sea
  From some knight-ridden strand
No mincing little "nobleman"
  To ask you for your hand.

I would not build up castle walls
  Where you should be the Queen,
But I would let you play with dolls
  Still artless and serene,
And I would put within your heart
  The everlasting grace
That lifts a woman out and leaves
  An angel in her place.
—*Chicago TimesHerald.*

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Keep good company or none.

— Save when you are young, to spend when you are old.

— A man's first care should be to avoid the reproaches of his own heart. *Addison.*

— Each man is a hero and an oracle to somebody, and to that person whatever he says has an enhanced value.—*Emerson*

— Whatever our darkness, God is in it; and through faith in him, if we have not light at once, we have peace. —*William Mountford.*

— Religion may be learned on Sunday, but it is lived in the week-day's work. The torch of religion may be lit in the church, but it does its burning in the shop and on the street.

— Whether any particular day shall bring to you more of happiness or of suffering is largely beyond your power to determine. Whether each day of your life shall give happiness or suffering rests with yourself.—*Geo. S. Merriam.*

— This is the preparation for a good old age duty well done, for its own sake for God's sake, and for the sake of the commonweatth of man. When a man works only for himself, he gets neither rest here nor reward hereafter.—*Robert Collier.*

— A good prayer to make daily: "O God, who alone canst transform the nature of man, change the ingenuity wherewith I invent worries into a skill at discovering joys! Make strong my memory for pleasure, and weaken it for pain. Give me a genius for gratitude!".

— It has been said that no man ever sank under the burden of the day. It is when to morrow's burden is added to the burden of to day that the weight is more than a man can bear. Never load yourselves so, my friends. If you find yourselves so loaded, at least remember that it is your own doings, not God's. He begs you to leave the future to him, and mind the present.—*George Macdonald.*

— Concord *Times*: Mary Ella Pearson was shot by Will Brown, her lover, last Thursday night and died from the effects of the wound. Both parties are colored. The shooting occurred at a frolic in the Reed building. Brown called the girl to come out but she refused to do so. Brown became enraged and then shot her. the ball taking effect in her side. She lingered till Monday, when she died. Brown is an ex convict, and a pretty tough character. As soon as he did the shooting he fled, and has not yet been apprehended.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store, Every bottle guaranteed. †

WE GIVE NO REWARDS. An offer of this kind is the meanest of deceptions. Test the curative powers of Ely's Cream Balm for the cure of Catarrh, Hay Fever and Cold in the Head and you are sure to continue the treatment. Relief is immediate and a cure follows. It is not drying, does not produce sneezing. It soothes and heals the membrane. Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, New York. †

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon, 10 30 A. M.; vespers and sermon, 7.45 P. M

Rev. Dr. Carmichael will conduct the services at the Seamen's Bethel at 3 o'clock this afternoon. The public is invited.

Christian Science services at the Masonic Temple, room 10, this morning at 11 o'clock. Subject of Bible Lesson: "Sacrament."

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor: 11 A. M., "Convention Echoes;" 7:30 P. M., "On a Swept Sea With a Sleeping Pilot."

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor: German services to day at 11 A. M; English at 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M.

St James' Church, second Sunday in Advent: 11 A. M., morning prayer, sermon, ante-communion; 5 P. M., evening prayer; Sunday school at 3.45 P. M. Public cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Luthern Church, North Fourth street above Bladen. Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service only at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:45 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

Services in St. John's Church today, second Sunday in Advent, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Litany, sermon and holy communion at 11 A. M.; Sunday school at 3.30 P. M.; evening prayer and sermon at 7.45 P. M. Public cordially invited.

Those interested in the teachings of the Holy Scriptures, as set forth by Elder C. T. Russell in *Millenial Dawn* and *Zion's Watch Tower*, are invited to meet with their friends. Divine service every Sunday at 7 o'clock P. M. at No. 25 North Front street (Knights of Pythias Hall). The public is cordially invited to attend these services. Seats free and no collection.

TWINKLINGS.

— Dolly—"Is your fiance a talented man? I presume he is. Polly—Oh, my, yes! You should see him lead a cotillion."

— "Mabel has a lovely title for the football hovel she has written." "What is it?" "She calls it 'The Rushing Romance of a Banged Up Apollo.'"

— Soap Clerk—"I heard '18' says he was fired with a new ambition.' Ribbon Clerk—"He was fired, but I don't know anything about the new ambition."—*Chicago News.*

— Pearl—"Gossip says they have a skeleton in their closet." Ruby—"Yes, it is the cat they forgot all about when they went away for the summer."—*Chicago News.*

— "What do you think?" said Miss Kittish to Miss Frocks, "Ethel is actually going to marry the man she loves." "Ethel always was an original girl," added Miss Frocks.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Couldn't Help Herself: Clara —"How did you come to accept Mr. Saphead?" Dora—"I had to. He proposed to me in a canoe, and he got so agitated I was afraid we'd upset."—*New York Weekly.*

— "There is something very mysterious about this burglary," said the detective. "None of the family heard a sound, although the house was thoroughly equipped with an old fashioned rocking chair in every room!"—*Detroit Journal.*

— Visitor—"What's become of that young wood chopper who worked for you last year?" Farmer—"Oh! he's branched out for hisself since. He's got a dairy farm supplyin' milk to the town folks." Visitor—"Not a hewer of wood now, but a drawer of water, eh?"

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

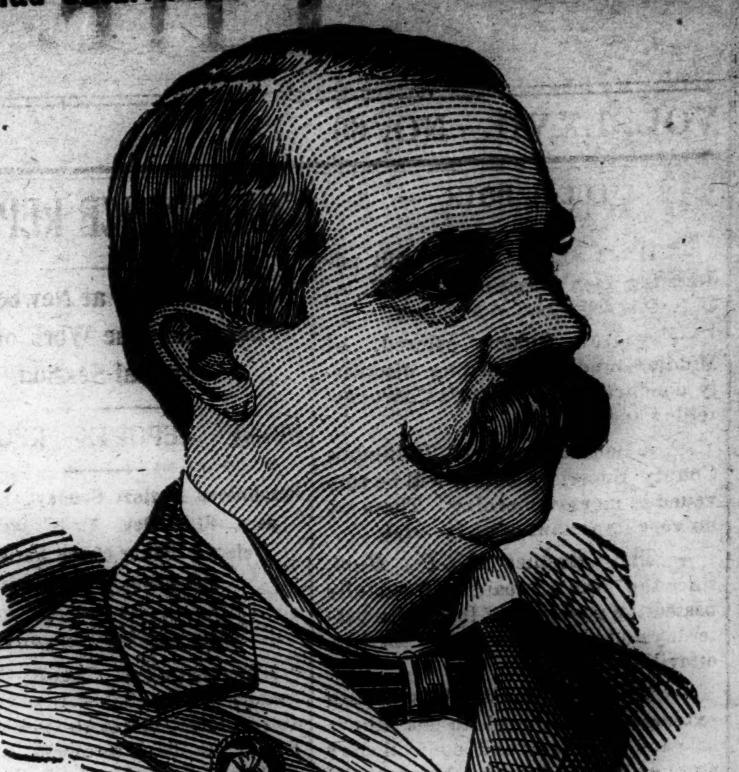
—— Wilson *Times:* Supervisor of tobacco sales, C. B. Leach announces that there was 2,517,224 pounds of tobacco soild in November and that this makes a total for the season of 11,281,230. He thinks the 16,000,000 mark will be reached.—— Last Monday night John Taylor, an Elm City negro, shot and killed the woman who was generally supposed to be his paramour. On Sunday night they had had trouble and on Monday night he went again and began a fuss. She told him she was going for a police and having started got as far as the door when he shot her. She died soon after.

— Washington *Progress*: Benn Capps, who was charged upon an attempt of rape and convicted last week, was given the minimum sentence of five years in the penitentiary. —— In the murder case of John Flynn charged with the murder of George Gaylord, was given to the jury Monday night. The solicitor did not ask for murder in the first degree. The defendant contended that the shooting was accidental and therefore he was not guilty of any crime. His contention was that he was walking behind Gaylord shooting in the air and after he had fired two shots he stumbled which caused the third shot to take effect in the deceased's head. The State contended that it was not an accident, but that the shooting was intentional. To bear the States's contention Mr. O. T. Perry said he was behind Flynn about thirty yards at the time of the shooting, and that the defendat shot at the deceased, that the deceased tried to get behind another man. A young man by the name of Gaylord stated that he understood the deceased said the shooting was intentional before he died. The two last witnesses are white men, and another white man said that Gaylord said Flynn shot him three times. The reason the State did not contend for a verdict in the first degree was that it was unable to show premeditation. The jury hung until Tuesday at 4.15 o'clock, when the jury brought in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter.

— Raleigh *Post*: Will Hirson was sentenced in Stanly county court Tuesday to 25 years in the penitentiary. The jury was out seventeen hours. It is said the first vote stood hight for murder in the first degree and four for second. Sheriff McCann carried the prisoner to Raleigh to night to avoid the possibility of lynching by Swaringen's friends. —— Mr John C. Drewry, of British Columbia, a wealthy mine owner and operator, is in Raleigh the guest of Alderman John C. Drewry, of this city,. There are coincidences in the personnel and family history of the two gentleman that make the case a remarkable one. The two Messrs. Drewery ran across each other for the time three years ago at a hotel in Montreal, Canada and the acquaintance then formed has since ripened into a warm friendship. They soon learned that they not only bore the same name (and is not a common one) but that each was born the same year, both are named for their maternal grandfathers, both of the latter hailing from Lincolshire, England; both are widowers, each has a brother named William S. Drewry and each had a brother (both now deceased) bearing the name of James Drewry. There are other coincidences in the lives of the two equally as remarkable, and it is small wonder that they should have been drawn to each other, upon learning the facts, and that such a close attachment, should now exist between them.

A NOTED JUDGE SAVED BY PERUNA

Had Catarrh Nine Years—All Doctors Failed.



HON. GEORGE KERSTEN, OF CHICAGO.

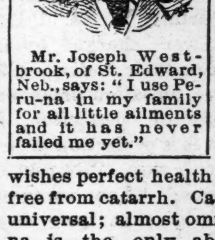
Hon. Geo Kersten, a well-known Justice of the Peace of Chicago, says: "I was afflicted with catarrh for nine years. My catarrh was located chiefly in my head. I tried many remedies without avail. I applied to several doctors, but they were not able to cure me. I learned of the remedy, Pe-ru-na, through the daily newspapers. After taking the remedy for 18 weeks I was entirely cured. I consider my cure permanent, as it has been two and a half years since I was cured."

The Governor of Oregon is an ardent admirer of Pe-ru-na. He keeps it continually in the house. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman he says:

"I have had occasion to use your Pe-ru-na medicine in my family for colds, and it proved to be an excellent remedy. I have not had occasion to use it for other ailments.

Yours very truly, W. M. Lord."

Pe-ru-na is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Letters of congratulation and commendation, testifying to the merits of Pe-ru-na as a catarrh remedy are pouring in from every State in the Union. Dr. Hartman is receiving hundreds of such letters daily. All classes write these letters, from the highest to the lowest.



Mr. Joseph Westbrook, of St. Edward, Neb., says: "I use Peruna in my family for all little ailments and it has never failed me yet."

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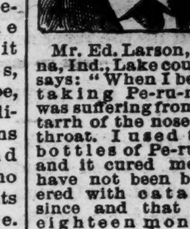

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market steady at $1.40 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.10@1.15; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine quiet at $1.50@$2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	49
Rosin	285
Tar	436
Crude turpentine	149

Receipts same day last year.—120 casks spirits turpentine, 390 bbls rosin, 557 bbls tar, 49 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market dull on a basis of 9⅝c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 3-16	cts. ℔
Good ordinary	8 9-16	" "
Low middling	9 3-16	" "
Middling	9⅝	" "
Good middling	9 15-16	" "

Same day last year middling steady at 7¼c.

Receipts—719 bales; same day last year, 2,384.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 13 to 15c per pound; shoulders, 10 to 11c: sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Firm at 20@22 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Very dull. Grown, 22½@25 cents; springs, 12½@20 cents.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, very dull at 6 to 8c; dressed, 8@10c.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 30c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Money on call was steady at 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¼@5 per cent. Sterling exchange nominal; actual business in bankers' bills at 485⅛ for demand and 481⅜ for sixty days. Posted rates 482½ and 486½. Commercial bills 480¾@481¼. Silver certificates 64@65. Bar silver 64½. Mexican dollars 50¼. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds easier. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 104⅛; U.S. refunding 2's. coupon, 105; U. S. 2's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109½; do. coupon, 109½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 137⅝; do. coupon, 137⅝; U. S. 4's, old reg'd 114¾; do. coupon, 115¾; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 112¾; do.coupon, 112¾; Southern Railway 5's 113. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 78¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 36⅞; Manhattan L 107⅞; N. Y. Central 141⅜; Reading 20; do. 1st pref'd 63¾; St. Paul, 125⅛; do. pref'd, 177⅛; Southern Railway 17⅛; pref'd 66⅜; American Tobacco, 105⅛; do. pref'd 135; People's Gas 97¾; Sugar 123¼; do. pref'd 114¾; T. C. & Iron 57⅞; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. preferred 74⅞; Western Union 82; Standard Oil 785@795.

BALTIMORE, December 8.—Seaboard, common, 11@11¼; preferred 28¼@28¾. Bonds 72½@72¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine dull.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 8.—Spirits turpentine firm at 38c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 8.—Spirits turpentine steady at 38⅜c; sales 682 casks; receipts 1,328 casks; exports 1,315 casks. Rosin—K and above steady and unchanged; I and below firm, with grade I 5c off; sales 4,296 barrels; receipts 5,023 barrels; exports 8, 247 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 8.—The cotton market opened steady with prices unchanged to four points higher and maintained a steday position all the forepart of the session. Speculation started in with something of old time vim, but before the close of the first hour had dwindled down to the average past week professional interchange. While competent to size up the usual phases of the situation, longs and shorts were unable to reach definite conclusions concerning Monday's government report. The cables reflected an indifferent response to Liverpool yesterday's weakness here and led to brisk covering by room shorts The foreign interest bought January and March on the advance; longs sold for profits. Investment business of importance failed to make its appearance. Spot markets were about steady but buyers held aloof for prospective concessions. Soon after 11 o'clock the market advanced to a level eight to ten points above last night's closing, on a wave of covering, but later eased off under realizing and room selling on the reaction theory. The market closed quiet with prices net unchanged to four points higher.

NEW YORK Dec. 8.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 10⅛c.

Cotton futures market closed quiet: December 9.69, January 9 63, February 9.59, March 9 53, April 9 48, May 9 43, June 9.40, July 9.37, August 9 12, September 8 48.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 10⅛c; middling gulf 10⅜c; sales 119 bales.

Net receipts 935 bales; gross receipts 3,410 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,834 bales; exports to France 100 bales; exports to the Continent 1,861 bales; stock 56,515 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 50,150 bales; exports to Great Britain 44,004 bales; exports to France 1,716 bales; exports to the Continent 3,661 bales; stock 811,700 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 50,150 bales; exports to Great Britain 44,004 bales; exports to France 1.716 bales; exports to the Continent 3,661 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,702,073 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,401,265 bales; exports to France 305,560 bales; exports to the Continent 950,072 bales.

December 8.—Galveston, quiet at 9⅝, net receipts 15,332 bales; Norfolk, steady at 9⅝c, net receipts 2,657 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10⅛c, net receipts — bales; Boston, dull at 10⅛c, net receipts 1,858 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9⅝, net receipts 719 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 10⅜c, net receipts 184 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 6,965 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9 11-16c, net receipts 17,395 bales; Mobile, nominal at 9 7-16c, net receipts 1,751 bales; Memphis, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 3,582 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9¾c, net receipts 2,033 bales; Charleston, nominal at 9½c, net receipts 774 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Flour was weak and again somewhat lower to sell, responding to the decline in wheat. Minnesota patents $3 90@4 35; winter patents $3 60@3 90. Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red 78c. Options opened steady on cables, drifted to a lower basis through vigorous operations by the bear element stimulated by intimations of depressing weekly statistics on Monday, dullness in export circles and the big primary movement. Market close weak at ⅛@¼c net decline. The sales included: January closed 77⅛c; March closed 79⅛c; May closed 78⅜c; December closed 76⅛c. Corn—Spot weak; No. 2 46¼c at elevator. Options were depressed to day by the weakness of cables, improved weather West and a local disposition to unload recent purchases. Closed weak at ⅛@1c lower. January closed 44¼c; May closed 43c; December closed 45⅛c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2 28⅛c. Options dull and nominal. Lard easy; Western steam $7 50; December closed $7 52½, nominal; refined lard quiet; Continent $7 60; South American $8 25; compound 5⅞@6c. Pork quiet; family $15 50@16 00; short clear $14 00@17 00; mess $12 00@13 00. Butter firm; Western creamery 18@26c; State dairy 16@24c. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania 27@30c at mark, for average lots; Western regular packing 23@27c. Cheese strong; fancy large, fall made 11¼c; small fancy, fall made 11¼c Potatoes quiet; Jerseys $1 00@1 37½; New York $1 25@1 62½; Long Island $1 50@1 75; Jerseys sweets $1 75 2 75. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton 20c. Petroleum dull; refined New York $7 25; Philadelphia and Baltimore $7 20; do. in bulk $4 65. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked 4¾@5c; other domestic 5c. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 3⅞@6¼c; Japan 4¼@4⅞c. Cabbage steady; Long Island, per 100, $3 00@4 50. Cotton seed oil—There was not much feature to oils except that steadiness continued to rule, influenced by the recent export trade. Quotations closed: Prime crude in barrels, 28⅛c, nominal; prime summer yellow 31½c; off summer yellow 30½@31c; prime winter yellow 37@37½c; prime white 34@35c; prime meal $26 00. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No 7 invoice 7⅛c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@13¼c. Sugar—Raw quiet but firm; fair refining 3 15 16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 7 16c; molasses sugar 3 11 16c; refined—standard A $5 40; confectioners' A $5 40; mould A $5 85; cut loaf $6 00; crushed $6 00; powdered $5 70; granulated $5 60; cubes $5 57. Market quiet.

CHICAGO, December 8.—Liberal receipts were mainly responsible for a net decline of ⅜@½c in January wheat to-day. Better weather and freer country offerings depressed corn, December closing 1⅛c and May ⅜@½c lower. Oats closed ⅛c down, and provisions a shade to 5c lower.

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet; winter patents $3 65@3 80, winter straights $3 10@3 60; winter clears $3 90@3 30; spring specials $4 30; do. patents $3 40@3 85; bakers' $2 20@2 75; straights $3 00@3 40. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No 3 spring 64¾@71⅞c; No.2 red 71⅛@71¾. Corn —No. 2, 36¼@37c. Oats—No. 2 22⅛@22¾c; No. 2 white 25⅜@26¼c; No. 3 white 24¾@26c. Pork, per barrel, $11 37½@11 50. Lard, per 100 lbs, $7 10@7 15. Short rib sides, loose, $6 25@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, $5 87½@6 12½. Short clear sides, boxed $6 70@7 80. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No.2 December 70⅝, 70⅝, 70, 70⅛c; January 71@71½, 71⅛, 70¼, 70¼@70⅝c; May 73¼, 73¾, 73⅛, 73¼@73¼. Corn—December 37⅝@37⅞, 37⅛, 36⅛, 36⅝c; January 36 36@36⅛, 35⅛, 35⅝c; May 36⅛@36¼, 36⅜ 36⅛, 36⅛, 36⅛c. Oats—December 21⅛, 21⅛, 21⅛, 21⅛c; May 23⅞, 23⅞, 23⅛@23⅜, 23⅛. Pork, per bbl—January $12 22½, 12 17½, 12 20, 12 15; May $11 97½, 12 05, 11 97½, 12 00. Lard, per 100 lbs.—December $7 15, 7 15, 7 12½, 7 12½; January $6 87½, 6 87½, 6 85, 6 87½; May $6 92½, 6 95, 6 92½, 6 95. Short ribs, per 100 lbs —January $6 30, 6 32½, 6 30, 6 32½; May $6 37½, 6 37½, 6 37½, 6 37½.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, December 8, 1 P. M.—Cotton—Spot quiet, prices easier; American middling 5 15 16d; good middling 5⅝d; middling 5 17 32d; low middling 5 11 32d; good ordinary 5 3-32d; ordinary 4 27-32d. The sales of the day are estimated at 6,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,300 bales American. Receipts 14,000 bales, including 2,400 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed quiet and steady. American middling (l. m. c.) December 5 25-64d seller; December and January 5 22 64d buyer; January and February 5 20 64d buyer; February and March 5 17 64@5 18-64d buyer; March and April 5 15 64@5 16 64d value; April and May 5 13 64d buyer; May and June 5 10-64@5 11-64d buyer; June and July 5 8 64d buyer; July and August 5 5 64d buyer; August and September 4 55 64d buyer.

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Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

Russian barque Hannes, Arvidsson, London, Heide & Co.

Clyde steamship Saginaw, Hale, New York, H G Smallbones.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

LONDON—Russian barque Hannes, 4,298 barrels rosin, valued at $5,750; 1,000 barrels tar, valued at $1,750; total valuation $7,500; cargo by Paterson, Downing & Co; vessel by Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—3 casks spirits turpentine, 15 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—538 bales cotton, 16 casks spirits turpentine, 147 barrels rosin, 113 barrels tar, 1395 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—30 casks spirits turpentine, 111 barrels rosin, 130 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—114 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Saginaw—174 bales cotton.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—2 bales cotton, 64 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 719 bales; spirits turpentine, 49 casks; rosin, 285 barrels; tar, 436 barrels; crude turpentine, 149 barrels.

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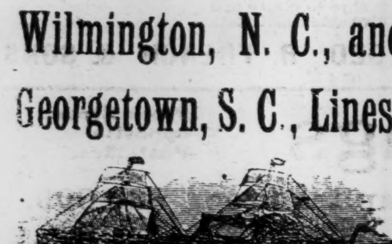

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THE PERPLEXING INITIALS.

To the Uninitiated They Are Apt to Be Somewhat Confusing.

"I just arrived in Washington today. In fact, I am a stranger in the capital," he said to a citizen on Pennsylvania avenue.

"Yes?" answered the citizen interrogatively, at the same time putting his hand on his watch chain and conjuring up pictures of piles of gold bricks and wads of the imitation "long green" lying around loose on the asphalt.

"Yes. I never saw such tall buildings before," he continued, with a wave of the hand toward the postoffice and The Star building. "I come down from the mountains," he added explanatorily. "You don't mind my asking you a few questions about something which has worried me mightily?"

"Not a bit of it, my friend. We are only too glad to be of service to strangers. Drive ahead."

"Well, it's these perplexing Virginia rail fence initials. I suppose you people who live here understand 'em, but I'll be goldarned if the stranger within your gates comprehends what they mean. Is it a fair assumption that 'U. S. A.' and 'U. S. N.' mean, or stand for, the United States army and navy respectively?"

"It is."

"Well, does 'U. S. M. C.' stand for United States member of congress or United States metallic carriage?"

"United States marine corps."

"Oh, the marines of ancient equine affiliations and Boston food, eh? Well, well! I just passed two young officers in uniform who had the letters 'U. S. N. R. D. C.' and 'U. S. N. G. D. C.' in gilt letters on their cut off coat collars. I don't dare to even think what those young chaps represent. What is it?"

"Oh, they were officers in the naval reserve and the national guard of the District of Columbia."

"Well, does that wagon there with the letters 'U. S. S. H.' painted on its side belong to the government hospital for sailors?"

"Not much. That floors every new man that comes to town. Those letters stand for the United States Soldiers' home."

"And there is another wagon, Mr. Hanna's private carriage, for it has 'G. O. P.' painted on its sides. They say up my way he is the head and front of the 'grand old party.'"

"'Grand old party' nothing!" cried the citizen pityingly. "That wagon belongs to the government printing office."

"I suppose 'P. O. D.' means pay on delivery' and 'B. E. and P.' stands for Boston, Engleside and Potomac railroad?"

"Not on your life. Those wagons are attached to the postoffice department and to the bureau of engraving and printing."

"Does 'C. L.' mean that that wagon carries the patients of the commissioner of lunacy around town?"

"We haven't any such official. That combination represents the Congressional library, and the wagon totes books."

"Well, my accommodating friend, I'll floor you now. Coming down Pennsylvania avenue, the one following the other, were two delivery wagons with this text on each respectively: 'U. S. S. D. R.' and 'H. R. D. R.' What sort of a policy play can you make out of those letters?"

"Oh, that's easy—just United States senate document room and house of representatives document room."

"Well, if I hadn't been told I'd said those letters stood for United States steamship Daughter Rose' and the other for 'Humble Roger's Daughter Ruth.' Many thanks for your information."

"Don't mention it."—Washington Star.

A VALUABLE WILD BEAST.

The Gorilla Is Hard to Capture and Always In Demand.

"At the present time there is no wild animal in such great demand for exhibition purposes as the gorilla," said a dealer in all kinds of wild beasts in New York to the writer the other day. "A full grown gorilla stands about 4 feet 6 inches high and is worth from $1,200 to $1,500. They sell easily for such prices, owing to the fact that they are rare and very difficult to capture. Chiefs in the interior of Africa have been offered large sums if they would succeed in catching one of these beasts. Numbers of little gorillas have been captured at various times, but they have always pined away and died in a short time. The chief difficulty about the capture of the gorilla is that he lives in very unhealthy districts, where fevers prevail.

"A white man has to fight the climate as well as the animals. In addition to the well known ferocity of the gorilla, he is regarded with a superstitious awe by the natives, who have a legend to the effect that this terrible beast carries away the women to the jungles. They also regard the gorilla as endowed with supernatural powers. Two men sent out last year by a well known German firm that deals in wild beasts perished in the wilds of Africa while seeking gorillas.

"It may seem surprising to an American, equipped with all the appliances of science for the subjugation of the animal kingdom, that it is almost impossible to capture and cage a gorilla. But if his fearful strength is considered and his wonderful shyness it will prove to be not so much a matter of surprise at all. All kinds of suggestions have been made to hunters with regard to the devices to be used, such as traps, pitfalls and like appliances, but none of these has proved to be successful.

"One of the largest gorillas ever captured belongs to the zoological gardens in London. The animal stands 4 feet 9 inches high. It is so valuable that offers of $1,800 and $2,000 have been made without acceptance."—Washington Star.

One Whale With Teeth.

Speaking of whales, an old whaler says there are 27 kinds, but one of which has teeth. The others are provided with 365 layers of bone in the jaws. On this bone are hairs an inch long, which separate from the water a small germ the size of a wheat grain, called brett. This is the only food on which the huge animal lives. He says that the throat of a whale is but the size of a man's fist. The mouth, however, will hold 25 people, and it is on this account that many think the whale takes in hundreds of barrels of water. Although the ear of a whale is but the size of a finger tip, he says he has known them to distinguish sounds at a distance of 15 miles.—Denver Republican.

WOMAN'S VOCATION.

With woman's nimble fingers
Awake life's beauty everywhere;
Things small and unregarded
Beneath thy touch shall change to fair.

With woman's tender insight
Unspoken sorrow understand;
The watcher's aching forehead
Shall yield unto thy cooling hand.

With woman's noble purity,
Be as the snow white lilies are,
Their glowing heart shall beckon
And be the wanderer's guiding star.

With woman's strength eternal,
Thy life, for others freely given,
Shall shine afar, translucent,
Clear as the crystal gate of heaven.
—Carmen Sylva in North American Review.

MAROONED ON AN ISLAND.

BY M. QUAD.

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If you had a chart before you, you would see that Wakes island is a bit of a dot in the Pacific ocean, lying a little south of the regular sailing route between Honolulu and Yokohama. Now and then it is sighted by steamer or sailing vessel making the passage, but the great majority pass it by 200 miles to the north. The traders call there occasionally for water or fuel, but as there are no inhabitants there can be no trade. It is an island three miles long by one and a half broad, and it was thrown to the surface by an earthquake. There is but one spot where a landing can be made even in the calmest weather, as its shores are rocky and rise to a height of from 30 to 100 feet. Much of the island is wooded, and bowlders lie about everywhere, and it is probably one of the loneliest spots in the universe. For some reason which no one can explain no birds are ever found there, nor is there any animal life. The only living things are land crabs, and they are of such size and fierceness that traders have had to flee before them.

In the year 1861 the bark Restless sailed out of San Francisco on a voyage to Japan and China. She had just been purchased by a man named Robert Westall, who was little known, but had suddenly made a lot of money, and the cargo was also mostly his. He went with his ship, and a fate befell him which reads stranger than fiction of the sea. He was a landsman, knowing nothing of ships and sailors, and it transpired that the captain he selected was a thoroughly bad man, while the mate was little better. It was probably the captain's idea from the outset to get possession of the ship, but Westall's suspicions were not aroused until after they had called at Honolulu and resumed the voyage. Then he overheard observations among the crew which alarmed him, and he went to the captain with his statements. He was told without any beating around the bush that the bark was to change hands. He was to be marooned on Wakes island, and she was to pursue her voyage as captain and crew decided. It was one man against 15, and of course he was helpless. Neither threats nor promises had the slightest effect, and when he stormed he was cautioned to hold his temper, or he would be set afloat in a small boat to perish of thirst and starvation. When the island was finally reached, Westall was ordered into a boat to be rowed ashore. Not a pound of provisions or an extra article of clothing was to go with him. He was not even to have the means of kindling a fire. Rendered desperate by the situation, he made a fight for it, but was soon knocked senseless by the blow of a capstan bar, and while in that condition was rowed ashore and dumped on the beach. When he recovered consciousness, the Restless was sailing away and was already miles distant.

Jules Verne has told how a sailor cast away on a desert island almost naked managed to live almost luxuriously and provide for his every want. The difference between imagination and reality was exemplified in Westall's case. He tried for days and days to produce fire by rubbing dry sticks together, but he never succeeded. He constructed a hut in the woods, but his food consisted of shellfish, roots and wild fruits, and there was no way to replace his clothing. He soon found fresh water, and he also made the discovery that the spot seemed accursed of all living things except the land crabs. As a rule these loathsome creatures did not bother him during daylight, but as soon as the sun went down they swarmed over the whole island. They were gigantic in size, and his only way of escaping them was to climb a tree. He built a platform among the limbs ten feet from the earth, and every night during his long stay he resorted to it. About once a month, generally at midday, the crabs would swarm by the million and hold possession of the island for two or three hours. At such times the noise made by their claws as they passed over rock and soil was almost deafening and gave him a great scare. While the man speedily recovered from the blow on the head given him on shipboard, his lonely situation soon began to tell on his mind. One day, at the end of three months, he found that he had forgotten his own name. It was two hours before it came to him, and then, fearful that it might go out of his mind for good, he carved his initials on the bark of a tree with a sharp stone. After making the circuit of the island three or four times he settled down near the landing place, and every day for weeks and months and years he hoped that some trader would put in or some ship send in her boat. Traders did call on three or four occasions, but he missed them. Once he was asleep in the tree top; again he was ill. On a third occasion the crabs were out in such numbers that the trader grew afraid and put off as soon as he had touched.

You will wonder how a man could have lived for a month as Westall lived for three years. For eight months there was a species of wild fruit something like a plum. Now and then a fish was left by the tide for him to capture, but he had to eat them raw. There were oysters and mussels and limpets clinging to the rocks, but after awhile he could hardly force himself to swallow them. In six months his boots were gone and his clothing was in tatters, and as the days dragged away the man had it on his mind that his memory was failing him. When a year had gone by, he could no longer recall his identity. The initials on the tree stood for a dozen different names to him. Six months later he was little better than a wild beast. During his second year, had he thought to erect some sort of signal at the landing place—some such signal as a sailor would have made—he would probably have been rescued, as two or three traders came in for water, but he did not even heap up stones or set up a bush to attract attention. He had existed on the island three years and two weeks when the American whaling ship Jonathan touched there for water. I was in the boat first sent ashore, and while waiting for the water casks to arrive I followed a path up into the woods and discovered Westall asleep on his platform. I believed him at first to be some monster gorilla. The weather had turned him almost black, his hair was long and matted, and he was without clothing. As he came tumbling down I ran away and gave the alarm. That frightened him, and seven men of us spent half a day in his capture. He fought us with the greatest ferocity, and for a long time we could not make out his nationality. He chattered a queer jargon or sulked, and we had put in at a Japanese port before we could keep clothing on him.

I was one of the apprentice boys on the ship, and, as the wild man had taken a great liking to me and I seemed to be the only one who could control him, the American consul advised that I be left behind with the man while the ship made a three months' circuit. Quarters were provided for us, and I was instructed how to go to work in an effort to restore the poor fellow's memory. By this time he had let fall enough to satisfy us that he was either English or American. We had also connected him in a way with the missing ship Restless. She had been reported as leaving Honolulu, but that was the last of her. I put up a blackboard and turned schoolmaster. I chalked down the letters of the alphabet, made figures, drew pictures and tried to start his memory to work. For a month I had no luck. The man's mind was as blank as night. He tried hard enough, and he used to break down and weep almost daily, but he could not get hold of the end of the string. I had about given up all hope when one day as I was going through the usual performance memory came back to him like a flash. He suddenly uttered a shout and sprang to his feet, and as I turned on him it was to find a new look on his face and to hear him shout:

"It has come! It has come! My name is Robert Westall, and I can remember everything!"

So it turned out, but the shock of recovery brought about an illness that confined him to his bed for weeks. When he could relate his story, the consul went to work to find out what had become of the Restless. Inquiries were made at all the ports of China and Japan, but no news was obtained. The search was still being prosecuted when a sandalwood trader from one of the Philippines brought the consul some wreckage picked up three years agone which proved that the bark had gone to the bottom in a gale encountered soon after sailing away from Wakes island. To this day there have been no tidings to alter this belief. The wretches who so coolly and deliberately planned the death of the shipowner by starvation did not live beyond a few days to enjoy their triumph. The three years spent on the island made an old man of Westall before his time, and he never was clear headed again, but he lived for 15 years after and managed to get together quite a little property and to spend his last years in peace.

A Good Snake Story.

The latest authentic snake story is from North Glenwood Farm, near Easton, one of the country places in Talbot county, Md. The other day a big black snake was seen emerging from an ice pond. It was killed. A protuberance was noticed about the middle. The snake was chopped in two, and a porcelain turkey nest egg rolled out. Captain Noble Robinson was tenant on the farm last year. Mrs. Robinson raised turkeys, using china eggs in their nests. She says that 14 months ago she missed the nest egg from a nest near the ice pond. She supposed a boy who had the range of the meadow had taken it. When the egg from the snake was shown to Mrs. Robinson, she identified it as one she had lost by a certain incised mark upon it. The snake had carried the china egg 14 months in his vermiform appendix, apparently without appendicitis. But he must have thought very hard of it and that it was very singular that it could not be digested

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RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 840,613.23
Overdrafts		36.83
U. S. Bonds (at par)		216,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 32,483.49	
Due from other banks	162,145.02	
Cash on hand	98,592.78	—293,221.29
Total		$1,359,971.35

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		108,307.65
Circulation		95,100.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$120,875.00	
Deposits from Banks	179,645.47	
Deposits from individuals	731,043.23	—1,031,563.70
Total		$1,359,971.35

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Sept 5 '98.	Sept. 5, '99.	Sept 5, 1900
Total deposits	$531,800	$867,100	$1,031,500
Surplus and net profits	83,200	95,900	108,300
U. S. bonds at par	45,100	95,600	216,100

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Other trains arrive at Hamlet as follows: Train 402 from Atlanta, Rutherfordton, Shelby, Lincolnton, Charlotte and Monroe at 9:37 P. M.; train No. 41 from Portsmouth at 7:10 P. M.; train No. 27 from Richmond and points North at 10.27 P. M.; train No. 44 from Columbia and points South at 9.40 P. M., and train No. 66 from Columbia and points South at 9 00 A. M.

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Foreclosure Sale.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Mortgage bearing date of July 21st, 1900, executed by Henry Green and wife, Mary, to the Wilmington Homestead and Loan Association and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county in Book 28 page 409 et seq., the undersigned will expose for sale, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on Monday, the 17th day of December, A. D. 1900, at 12 o'clock M. the following described property situate in the city of Wilmington, N. C., and bounded and described as follows:

First Lot—Beginning in the northern line of Wooster street one hundred (100) feet westwardly from the eastern line of Ninth street, and running thence eastwardly along said northern line of Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence northwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet, thence westwardly parallel with Wooster street fifty (50) feet, thence southwardly parallel with Ninth street one hundred and ten (110) feet to the northern line of Wooster street, the point of beginning. The same being part central portions of Lots 5 and 6, Block 67, according to the official plan of said city of Wilmington.

Second Lot—Beginning at a point in the eastern line of Seventh street 66 feet south of the southern line of Ann street, runs thence south with the eastern line of Seventh street 33 feet, thence east parallel with Ann street 135 feet to Wilson street, thence north with the western line of Wilson street 33 feet, thence west parallel with Ann street 135 feet to the beginning; being northwestern part of Lot No. 2, Block 119, according to the plans of said city of Wilmington.

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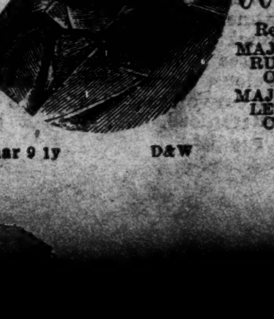

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.46 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.13 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 6.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 5.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2 45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.1? A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 8 55 A. M., Philadelphia 11.38 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P M., Richmond 6.50 P. M., Petersburg 7.25 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.06 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 5 57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.38 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.48 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M. Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.05 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.35 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M. Maxton 9.15 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Hope Mills 10.55 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.12 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6 45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.28 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.40 A. M., †7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M.; †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 5.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.59 P. M., 10.40 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M., 11.18 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.39 A. M., Rowland 6.06 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 10.23 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M., Selma 1.50 P. M., 11.33 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 12.13 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.05 A. M., Creston 4.54 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.55 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.29 P. M., Creston 5.32 P. M., Sumter 6.24 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrive Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrive Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 1.50 P. M., arrive Elliott 3.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston..........	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern..........	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 9.

BIG BLAZE IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE.

Total Losses Amount to $300,000—Fully Insured—Several Firemen Injured. A Miraculous Escape.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 8.—The extensive stores and stock of the Baltimore Bargain House, 212 to 220 West Baltimore street, were totally destroyed by fire this morning, and the stock and building of Grotjan, Lobe & Co., which adjoins it, were considerably damaged. The fire was discovered shortly after 3 o'clock in the morning and burned fiercely all the balance of the night and far into the morning, completely obstructing traffic in the busiest part of the city during the early morning hours. Several firemen made narrow escapes from death, but none was seriously injured.

The Baltimore Bargain House, of which Mr. David Epstein is the head, is one of the largest concerns of the kind in the South and had a large holiday stock on hand. Mr. Epstein is as yet unable to give an accurate estimate of the loss on stock, but roughly places it at $150,000. Grotjan, Lobe & Company estimate their loss at $5,000, while the loss on the buildings will probably swell the total to $300,000, all being fully covered by insurance.

A Miraculous Escape.

Fireman John Flynn had a miraculous escape from being killed. He fell five stories from the rear of the western section of the series of buildings included in the Baltimore Bargain House. Flynn was on the roof of the building when, overcome by smoke, he lost his balance. His companions who saw him topple backward and fall felt sure that every bone in his body would be broken. In his fall the fireman struck three different times on a zig zag arrangement of rain spouts; each section that he struck gave way, but each broke the momentum of his fall. As he struck the piece of rain spout nearest the ground his fireman's helmet of alumnium fell off and beneath him. He struck upon the helmet mashing it as flat as a piece of paste board. When his companions picked him up he was unconscious, but revived shortly when it was discovered that the only injuries he had received were a number of bruises on his shoulders and a broken ankle.

GEN. DEWET'S MOVEMENTS.

Four Columns of British Troops Trying to Intercept the Wily Boer Leader. Eludes His Pursuers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ALIWALNORTH, CAPE COLONY, December 7.—General DeWet appears to be in a most dangerous position and to need all his strategy to extricate his force. With strong British columns on three sides and two swollen rivers barring his front the British commanders begin to be hopeful that the great chase by four columns, which has been one of the most exciting operations of the war, will result in the capture of DeWet. Definite news of his whereabouts was first received on December 2nd.

The next morning General Knox started in hot pursuit and Pilcher's and Herberts' columns were detached to make a turning movement. After three hours' march General Knox learned that during the night DeWet had doubled back past the British right, necessitating a complete change of plans. During the night of December 3rd General KNOX encamped on the Carmel farm, the site of the Boer laager, which had evidently recently and hurriedly moved.

General Knox started again at daylight, hoping to corner DeWet while crossing Karreport Drift, but he arrived too late. The British experienced very great difficulty in following DeWet, owing to the rise in the river, but they succeeded in crossing without the loss of a man or a beast. From that time on the pursuit of the Boers was taken up without baggage, the troops being supplied by foragers, enabling them to make more rapid movements.

Eluded His Pursuers.

LONDON, December 8.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from General Kitchener from Bloemfontein, dated December 8th:

"Have just received news from Knox, at Rouxville, that DeWet's force having failed to force Commassie bridge, which we held, has trekked northeast, abandoning five hundred horses and many carts. His attempt on Cape Colony, therefore has failed. He is being pressed on all sides."

JOHANNESBURG, December 8.—The Boers have captured seventeen thousand sheep from a small detachment of British troops in the vicinity of Krugersdrop.

SOME NOTES FROM ROCKY POINT.

Deer Captured Alive in a Steel Trap—A Negro Drowned in Honey Creek.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

ROCKY POINT, N. C., Dec. 8.—For some time Mr. C. J. Miller has been suspecting from appearances that depredations were being committed on his lettuce beds and he concluded that he would see if he could not catch the marauder. Night before last he set a steel trap under a slit that appeared to have been made by some sharp instrument through the canvas and next morning he was out bright and early and found a beautiful yearling deer fast in the trap. The doe is being tamed by Mr. Miller.

A colored man named George Sanders was found this morning drowned in Honey Creek. His clothing was left on the bank. He is said to be from Duplin county. An inquest was held over his remains and the verdict was that he came to his death by being drowned.

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THE ARMY BILL IN THE SENATE.

Anti-Canteen Provision Discussed by the Committee on Military Affairs.

AN ARMY CHAPLAIN'S VIEWS.

Rev. Mr. Miller Gave the Canteen His Unreserved Endorsement—Its Abolition Demanded by the Female Speakers Before Committee.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—The Senate Committee on Military Affairs to-day continued its hearing upon the anti canteen provision of the Military bill, hearing, in addition to a number of short speeches in advocacy of the provision, a protest against it from Rev. Mr. Miller, who served fourteen months as an army chaplain in the Philippines.

Mrs. Thatcher, of New Jersey, appealed for the abolition of the canteen on financial grounds, saying that it caused soldiers to squander not only their health and their time, but their money as well.

Mrs. Kells, of Mississippi, spoke for the mothers of the soldiers, saying that all of them favored the suppression of the liquor traffic.

Mrs. Ingalls, of St. Louis, said she knew of many soldier boys who had contracted the liquor habit at the canteen.

Miss Kearney, of Mississippi, said she had been informed that Gen. Eagan had been a notable exception among general army officers in favoring the canteen.

Mrs. Allison, W. C. T. U. superintendent of legislation, said that official statistics show that the liquor traffic is literally following the American flag in the tropics. She presented figures to show that the liquor exportations from the United States to Cuba for the first five months of 1899 had reached $472,300, as against $10,796 for the entire year of 1898. In the Philippines and Porto Rico there had been a corresponding increase.

Mr. Miller gave his unreserved endorsement to the canteen and said that this view was the result of actual observation in the Philippines. He declared himself to be a temperance man and said that it was because he is such he took this position. In the Philippines the canteen is not, he said, the low grog shop that it has been described, but is entitled to be called a post exchange, as it officially is called. He was sure that these exchanges do much to restrict drunkenness. The reason for his position was found in the fact that if the soldiers could not get the lager beer and the light wines supplied in the canteens they would patronize the low groggeries kept by the natives, where only "vino" is sold. This liquor he describes as especially harmful to health, and said its effect often was almost to cause insanity. Many vino "joints" had been destroyed by the establishment of the canteen. Mr. Miller expressed the opinion that 98 per cent. of the officers of the army are favorable to the canteen, and also said that the enlisted men want it. He quoted written opinions from post commanders in the Philippines in support of his position.

House of Representatives.

Under a special order adopted at the last session the House devoted to day after one o'clock to paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Alfred C. Harmer, of Pennsylvania.

When the House met a bill was passed to include cherries in the list of fruits from which brandy can be distilled under Section 3255 of the Revised Statutes.

At the conclusion of the eulogies the House, as an additional mark of respect, adjourned.

The minority members of the Ways and Means Committee are holding informal meetins in order to prepare the minority report on the bill reducing the war taxes, and the report will be submitted by Representative Richardson, Tennessee, on Monday. It is under tood that the report will not oppose the reductions proposed, but will present additional features to which the bill should apply.

Naval Appropriation Bill.

It is expected that the forthcoming Naval Appropriation bill, now being framed by the House Committee on Naval Affairs, will contain a provision for two more battleships and two armored cruisers, following the recommendations of Secretary Long. The item of new ships has not yet been reached or settled, but as a result of the discussion among members the belief was expressed by them to day that there was practically no doubt the two battleships and two armored cruisers would be incorporated in the bill. Admiral Hichborn, chief of the bureau of construction, was before the committee to day. His estimates are about $21,000,000 for the construction already authorized. This is considerably more than ever before required and Admiral Hichborn explained that it was the necessary result of the large amount of naval shipbuilding which recent Congresses had authorized.

KRUGER IN HOLLAND.

Received in Audience by Queen Wilhelmina—Warmly Cheered by Crowds in the Streets.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

THE HAGUE, December 8.—Queen Wilhelmina received Mr. Kruger in audience to day. As the Boer statesman was travelling incognito the visit was not attended by the ceremony usually paid to a chief of state. A court official proceeded to his hotel and accompanied Mr. Kruger to the royal palace in a state carriage. Dr. Leyds received Mr. Kruger at the door of the palace, but was not present at the audience.

Mr. Kruger wore a black coat over which was a broad sash of the Transvaal colors and the grand cross of the Netherlands lion. Dr. Leyds wore a diplomatic uniform. The visit lasted a quarter of an hour. The Queen, Queen Mother and Mr. Kruger alone were present. The latter thanked the Queen for placing the cruiser Gelderland at his disposal.

The crowds in the streets warmly cheered Mr. Kruger.

Typhoid fever had broken out among the convicts in Sing Sing prison. There are now seventeen cases in the hospital and additional cases are developing daily.

Red Hot From The Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman, of Newark, Mich, in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cures guaranteed. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY Druggist. †

NORTHERN PRESBYTERIANS.

The Assembly Committee's Conclusion As to the Revision of the Confession of Faith.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—After two hours' deliberation to-day, the Presbyterian committee concluded its discussion of the revision of the Westminster Confession of Faith, and adjourned. The Committee find, on examination of the returns from the Presbyteries, the following facts:

1. That the returns plainly indicate that the Church desires some changes in its credal statement.

2. The returns indicate plainly that no change is desired which would in any way impair the integrity of the system of doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith.

3. These returns also indicate that a large plurality desire that changes should be made by some new statement of present doctrines.

4. The returns also indicate a desire upon the part of many Presbyterians for some revision of the present confession.

6. It was unanimously agreed by the committee to recommend to the General Assembly that some revision or change be made in our confessional statements.

The committeee will convene in this city on February 13th next to finally prepare the statement to the General Assembly in May.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

Little Consideration Given in England to Cable Dispatches Dealing With Probable Action of the Senate.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 8.—The Nicaragua Canal creates only mild interest in England. The long cable dispatches dealing with the probable action of the United States Senate and its deliberations are read by the general public with comparatively little interest and less understanding. The report that the British government has in any way indicated its willingness to accept the amended treaty is utterly false. In fact, the indications, such as they are, point to Great Britain refusing to consider any amendment to what the Foreign Office already believes to be a generous concession. To quote a high authority. "We would not have abrogated the Clayton-Bulwer treaty for any other nation in the world. Unless all the traditions of British foreign policy are reversed I fail to see how we can afford to give away any more advantages, even to America."

No official representation or inquiries have yet been made to the Foreign Office, where it is pointed out that it is impossible to form any final judgment until the Senate acts. That war, or even a serious misunderstanding, could ever result from such a cause receives no official or public credence.

A SENSATIONAL SUICIDE.

A Law Student and Veteran of Spanish-American War Killed Himself.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Phillip S. Sondheim, 24 years old, a law student and a veteran of the Spanish-American war, having been a member of the Astor Battery, serving in Manila, and who lived at an up town hotel, committed suicide by shooting himself this evening at Sixth avenue and 41st street, dying almost instantly. At the time of the shooting the avenue and adjacent streets were filled with pedestrians. Two detectives had been informed that Sondheim was going to commit suicide and went to the man's room at his hotel. He came out with a revolver in his hand and the officers followed him to the street. Sondheim threatened to kill them if they touched him. They followed him still further and then pounced on him, but he was too quick for them and before they could overpower him Sondheim sent a bullet into his brain. It is believed that Sondheim was insane.

TWENTY PERSONS INJURED.

Accident to the Express Train from Washington to New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—Twenty persons were injured to day in an accident on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad, at Gray's Ferry station in West Philadelphia. An empty box car jumped the track and damaged several of the passenger coaches on the express train which leaves Washington at 8 A. M., for New York. Miss Emma Dougherty, of Chester, had both legs broken and is in a critical condition, and Miss Ella Little, also of Chester, was dangerously wounded.

The Express train was made up of three Pullman cars, a dining car and, six day coaches. The latter was filled with residents of Chester, Pa., and most of the injured were of their number. About thirty were injured by broken glass, but were not taken to the hospitals.

The Pullman cars contained Washington and Baltimore passengers, almost exclusively.

WORK OF WHITE CAPS.

Residence Wrecked With Dynamite Near Cluttsville, Ala.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., December 8.—A special to the *Journal* from New Decatur, Ala., says:

"The residence of A. J. Thomas, near Cluttsville, in this county, was wrecked last night by dynamite. The crime is believed to have been the work of white caps. Thomas, who is a single man of about forty, it is alleged, had as occupants of his house seven women. He had been repeatedly asked to send the inmates of his house away and had recently received warnings from a so-called white cap committee. One of the women was badly injured in the explosion."

LYNCHING IN GEORGIA.

Negro Who Assaulted and Killed Mrs. White Put to Death.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ROME, GA., Dec. 8.—Bud Rufus, a negro, who yesterday assaulted and fatally wounded Mrs. Joseph White, wife of a farmer living twelve miles from Rome, was caught and lynched near here to-day.

Rufus was taken from the county officers at midnight by a mob. Mrs. White identified the prisoner, who was hurried to a railroad bridge near by. A rope was placed about his neck and he was forced to jump from the bridge. His body was then riddled with bullets.

AGREEMENT OF POWERS IN PEKIN

Speedy Re-establishment of Peace Expected Under Modified Conditions.

MORE MASSACRES REPORTED

Revolting Details of Outrages on Missionaries and Native Christians—A Day Fixed for a Rising in Pekin Against the Foreigners

By Cable to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—The text of the agreement reached between the Powers at Pekin has been received at the State Department, and is now in process of translation from the cipher code.

It is not definitely known whether the acceptance of any of the Powers, other than that of Japan, has been had, but assurances have been received that the remainder of the Powers will promptly ratify the agreement.

BERLIN, December 8.—An official of the Japanese legation informs the correspondent of the Associated Press that the latest advices justified the belief that the re-establishment of peace with China has been quickly coming since the conditions have been moderated by the Powers.

The Foreign Office here formally confirms the statement that the remaining minor points of the Pekin joint note have been settled. An inspired article in to day's Cologne *Gazette*, detailing the contents of the note, substantially agrees with what has been printed on the subject in America.

More Massacres.

PEKIN, December 6.—Captains Wingate and Ryder, who accompanied the expedition to Kalgan, returned to day. During their absence they visited several places up which the Germans did not go, but they encountered no opposition. They learned that some twelve Europeans, mostly Swedish and Norwegian missionaries, besides Captain Watts Jones, were massacred at Kwei Hua Cheng by orders of the Taotai and that one hundred native Christians had also been put to death. The details of the outrages are most revolting. Captains Wingate and Ryder visited the Belgian station, where the priests in charge and three thousand converts had sustained a prolonged siege by Boxers and Imperial troops. They were informed that other stations further west are still besieged, not only by Boxers, but by Chinese troops acting under orders from the authorities, and this in spite of the assurances by the plenipotentiaries that the government is doing its utmost to suppress outrages.

Chinese carrying concealed weapons are arrested daily in Pekin. Natives allege that December 19th has been fixed on as the day for a rising against the foreigners in the capital. No alarm is felt, however, as the troops here are sufficiently numerous to deal with a rising should it occur.

STREET CAR DEMOLISHED.

One Man Killed and a Score of People Badly Hurt.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PITTSBURG, PA, December 8.—The Cumberland accommodation for Pittsburg on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, to night, crashed into a United Traction car filled with people at Rankin. One man was killed outright, his wife so badly hurt that she can hardly recover, his baby was seriously injured and a score of other passengers were badly hurt. The dead man is unknown and his wife at a late hour to night is still unconscious from the effects of her injuries. The babe was found clasped in the father's arms with the mother across them.

WARM WIRELETS.

Lieutenant Hobson's condition is much improved.

A special dispatch from The Hague says Holland has no intention to intervene in favor of arbitration in the Transvaal troubles.

A Cincinnati dispatch says the engagement is announced of Miss Clara Longworth of that city and Count de Chambrun of Paris.

A special dispatch from the Hague says that it is reported that Mr. Kruger is seeking to obtain a conference with Lord Salisbury.

Mail advices say there are about thirty cases of smallpox at Dawson. Prompt measures have been taken for checking the spread of the disease.

The river and harbor committee is holding daily executive sessions and making such progress that there is fair prospect of completing the bill before the holiday recess.

The Federal court in a jury trial at Des Moines, Ia., ruled that debts on "option deals" on the Chicago Board of Trade, are gambling debts and non-collectable.

Lloyds Weekly London Newpaper says it learns that the Duke and Duchess of York will visit the United States on their return journey from Australia via Canada.

Mrs. Washington McLean, mother of John R. McLean, proprietor of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, and of Mrs. Dewey, wife of Admiral Dewey, is very seriously ill of heart complications. The attending physicians have little hope of her recovery.

The Vanderbuilt interests have placed orders with three mills for one hundred thousand tons of steel rails at $26 per ton. This breaks up the organized effort of the railroads to force the price down to $32.

Most of the telegraph operators on the lines of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railway system went on a strike yesterday, in support of the strike inaugurated on the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe division Thursday.

The *Echo de Paris'* correspondent at The Hague says: "The Queen said to Mr. Kruger to-day: 'Have confidence in God, who will protect you and yours. I will show my friendship when the moment arrives, but not now.'"

It is announced at the Navy Department that there is no emergency whatever requiring the hasty departure from San Francisco of the Iowa and Philadelphia. The vessels are simply going on their winter cruise to the southward.

Emperor William will send a special envoy shortly to make a tour of notable American stock farms, with the view of purchasing saddle and carriage horses for the imperial stables. Hitherto the court has purchased exclusively in Hungary and England.

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HEAD END COLLISION.

Freight Trains Wrecked Near Richmond, Va.—One Man Killed and Three Others Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, Dec. 8.—A head end collision occurred between two freights on the Atlantic Coast Line, two miles below Richmond, to-night, in which one man was killed, three others were injured and an engine and a dozen freight cars wrecked.

Fireman Robert Boyd, whose home was in Weldon, N. C., was fatally crushed under the overturned engine; Engineer William C. Flippen, of Manchester, Va., was badly scalded and severely though not fatally injured, and colored brakemen Ben Powell and Jesse Butts were less seriously hurt.

Flippen was brought to his home in Manchester, the brakemen were brought to a hospital here, and the body of Boyd will be sent home to morrow to his heart-broken bride of a few months.

The Coast Line train ran into a Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac shifting freight which had come from the belt line and was backing to the Coast Line track. To-night's trains all came over the belt line.

ORDERED TO MANILA.

Battleship Kentucky Has Completed Its Mission to Turkey.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—Secretary Long to-day cabled instructions to Captain Chester, at Constantinople, to proceed with his ship, the Kentucky, from Smyrna, on his interrupted voyage to Manila, to replace the Oregon on the Asiatic station. It cannot be learned officially that the mission debts have been discharged, but it is said that the Kentucky's mission, which was one of courtesy, has been discharged.

NURSE GIRL ARRESTED.

Killed the Infant Child of Her Employers in Brooklyn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Alice O'Donnell, the nurse girl who killed the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. James Jones in Brooklyn last night, was arrested to-day. She admitted killing the child, saying that her own baby, which was born eight months ago, was in an institution, and she did not see why another woman should be able to have her child with her when that privilege was denied as to her own child.

Uriah C. Burnap, one of Brooklyn's foremost citizens, was found dead, with a bullet hole in his head. At his side lay a revolver. Melancholia, aggravated by worry over the condition of an ill daughter, is believed to have led Mr. Burnap to take his life.

The Saxton block, at Canton, Ohio, owned by Mrs. McKinley's sister, was burning last night and there was no possibility of saving any portion of the contents. People living in the upper stories escaped in their night clothes.

Kid McCoy, in London, who received cable advices announcing that his wife had obtained a decree of divorce against him in the United States, told a representative of the Associated Press that his marriage with Marguerite Corneille will occur in Paris or New York on Christmas.

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Wanted, Manager—Old established mercantile house wants honest, capable man to manage branch. Salary $125 month, extra commissions. No soliciting required, but must take general direction business and be ambitious. Good references and $300 cash required. Experience as manager not necessary if qualified in other respects. Opportunity, Drawer 74, New Haven, Conn. nov 15 1m*

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Christmas is less than five weeks off,

to say nothing of intervening holidays. Whether one's list of gifts for the holidays be long or short, time and consideration are needed for proper selection. Our patrons are reminded of the near approach of Christmas and of the facilities NOW OFFERED for the deliberate examination of our stock.

It is a pleasure to choose from a stock like ours,

because it contains everything that is new and unique in Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets, Salad Sets, Lamps, Jardinieres, Fern Dishes, Vases, etc., to say nothing of our very pretty pieces in Libbey's Cut Glass.

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nov 25 tf

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3,600 bags Salt, ALL SIZES.

25 Boxes California Peaches.
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57 Barrels Apples.
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2,100 C. C. Nuts.
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176 Boxes Evaporated Apples.
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T. D. LOVE,
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Steamers for Fayetteville, N. C. Freight and passengers. Monday and Thursday. leave 2 o'clock P. M. T. D. LOVE,
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Evaporated Apples,
Baldwin Apples,
Raisins,
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Mixed and Penny Candy,
Full line of Heavy Groceries.

SEND US YOUR ORDERS.

S. P. McNair,
dec 2 tf NORTH WATER STREET.

Woman's Exchange.

Fancy work of all kinds; home-made bread; preserves; pickles and jellies.

Orders solicited for sewing; dressing Christmas dolls; making fancy articles of all kinds. Also, for edibles of every variety, including beaten biscuit, wafers and desserts.

Woman's Exchange,
217 Market street.
dec 5 2w

Potatoes, Potatoes.

25 Bushels Nice Yam Potatoes.

—also—

100,000 War Eagle and Old Glory Cheroots.
Car Hoop Iron.
Car Wire Nails and Car Cut Nails. All sizes.
Nice line Xmas Candies.
Firecrackers, Raisins, C. C. Nuts. Nice Baldwin Apples.

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We can't bake your cake, but can furnish the best of everything to go in it.

-:-Send me your orders.

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I have the grandest stock of Holiday Goods ever shown in the city.

10,000 Christmas Cards from 1c to 10c each.
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500 Iron Toys—Police Wagons, Milk Carts, Iron Trains, Double Ox-Carts from 10c to $1.00 each.
300 Guns from 10c to $1.00. The finest Air Rifle, reloading, shoots 100 times, for $1.00. Will kill a bird or rat.
Toy Pistols and Caps—Caps by the box of 1 gross for 25c.
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China Ware of Every Grade.

China Sets—Sugar Bowls, Spoon Holders and Milk Pitchers for 25, 50, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25 a set.
Large Vases at 10c and up to $1.25 a pair.
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Glove Cases at 20c.
Single Dessert Dishes at 5c.
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Tricycles, adjustable seat, pat. axles, the best in the city, at $1.75, 2.25 and $2.75.

Big lot of Wooden Toys. Large set we sold at 45c, now 25c.
Wood Toys at 5, 10c and 25c a set.
I want your Christmast trade.
I have the best selection of goods for the wholesale and retail trade in the city.
All I ask is a comparison. Give my large stock a look for any toy or article you want.
We are headquarters.

Christmas Presents for Young and Old.

I have a big lot of Fine Furs for the Ladies.
A good lot of Boys' Overcoats cheap.
A lot of fine Capes and Cloaks for the Girls and Ladies.
A big new stock of Men's Pants; 1,000 pairs of the nicest line of Pants in the city.
A good fine Worsted Pants, tailor made, at $2.50, $3 00, $3 50 a pair.
I have just received 18 dozen new very fine made Velvet Hats. The prettiest goods in the State. Every Lady would do well to look at this beautiful stock of fine Hats. The wholesale price of these Hats was from $18.00 to $42.50 per dozen. You can buy them for $1.00 to $2.50 each. For less than you can buy the material in the Hats.
Get your card filled out by Xmas and get your present free, so you will have a Christmas present also, with no cost to you.
Come to see us. We have everything in the Dry Goods line at the big store.
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GEO. O. GAYLORD,
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